# **HOUSE BILL No. 1824**

## DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 35-44-3-3.

**Synopsis:** Resisting law enforcement. Provides that a person who resists, obstructs, or interferes with: (1) a law enforcement officer engaged in official duties; or (2) the authorized service of process or execution of a court order; commits the offense of resisting law enforcement regardless of whether the person uses force.

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Effective: July 1, 2005.

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January 25, 2005, read first time and referred to Committee on Courts and Criminal Code.

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PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in this style type, and deletions will appear in this style type.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in this style type. Also, the word NEW will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in this style type or this style type reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2004 Regular Session of the General Assembly.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning criminal law and procedure.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1	SECTION 1. IC 35-44-3-3 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
2	FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2005]: Sec. 3. (a) A person who
3	knowingly or intentionally:
4	(1) forcibly resists, obstructs, or interferes with a law enforcement

- officer or a person assisting the officer while the officer is lawfully engaged in the execution of his the officer's official duties; as an officer;
- (2) forcibly resists, obstructs, or interferes with the authorized service or execution of a civil or criminal process or order of a court; or
- (3) flees from a law enforcement officer after the officer has, by visible or audible means, identified himself or herself and ordered the person to stop;
- commits resisting law enforcement, a Class A misdemeanor, except as provided in subsection (b).
  - (b) The offense under subsection (a) is a:
    - (1) Class D felony if:



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1	(A) the offense is described in subsection (a)(3) and the person	
2	uses a vehicle to commit the offense; or	
3	(B) while committing any offense described in subsection (a),	
4	the person draws or uses a deadly weapon, inflicts bodily	
5	injury on another person, or operates a vehicle in a manner	
6	that creates a substantial risk of bodily injury to another	
7	person;	
8	(2) Class C felony if, while committing any offense described in	
9	subsection (a), the person operates a vehicle in a manner that	
10	causes serious bodily injury to another person; and	
11	(3) Class B felony if, while committing any offense described in	
12	subsection (a), the person operates a vehicle in a manner that	
13	causes the death of another person.	
14	(c) For purposes of this section, a law enforcement officer includes	
15	an alcoholic beverage enforcement officer and a conservation officer	
16	of the department of natural resources.	
17	SECTION 2. [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2005] IC 35-44-3-3, as	
18	amended by this act, applies only to offenses committed after June	
19	30, 2005.	
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